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CLAIMS:

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1. A PYY agonist derivative of the formula:

$$(X)_n - Z$$

- wherein X is a radical 9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl (Fmoc) or 2-sulfo-9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl (FMS), Z is the residue of a PYY agonist linked to the radical X through an amino or hydroxyl group, and n is 1 to 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 2. A PYY agonist derivative of claim 1, wherein the PYY agonist is PYY of the sequence represented by [SEQ ID NO.: 1]:

YPIKPEAPGEDASPEELNRYYASLRHYLNLVTRQRY-NH2

3. A PYY agonist derivative of claim 1, wherein the PYY agonist is PYY₃₋₃₆ of the sequence represented by [SEQ ID NO.: 2]:

IKPEAPGEDASPEELNRYYASLRHYLNLVTRQRY-NH2

- 4. The PYY agonist derivative of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of the derivatives herein designated Fmoc-PYY, (Fmoc)₂-PYY, (Fmoc)₃-PYY, FMS-PYY, (FMS)₂-PYY and (FMS)₃-PYY.
- 5. The PYY agonist derivative of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of the derivatives herein designated Fmoc-PYY₃₋₃₆, (Fmoc)₂- PYY₃₋₃₆, (Fmoc)₃- PYY₃₋₃₆, FMS- PYY₃₋₃₆, (FMS)₂- PYY₃₋₃₆, and (FMS)₃- PYY₃₋₃₆.
 - 6. The PYY agonist derivative herein designated (FMS)₂- PYY₃₋₃₆, of the sequence represented by [SEQ ID NO.: 3].
- 25 7. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a PYY agonist derivative according to any one of claims 1 to 6, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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8. A pharmaceutical composition comprising (FMS)₂-PYY₃₋₃₆ and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

- 9. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 7 for reduction of food intake.
- 5 10. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8 for reduction of food intake.
 - 11. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 7 for treatment of diseases, conditions or disorders which can be alleviated by reduction of food intake.
- 10 12. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8 for treatment of diseases, conditions or disorders which can be alleviated by reduction of food intake.
 - 13. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 11 for treatment of obesity.
- 15 14. A pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of obesity comprising an obesity treating amount of (FMS)₂-PYY₃₋₃₆, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
 - 15. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 11 wherein said disease, condition or disorder is hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular risk, insulinresistance, or diabetes mellitus.

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- 16. The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 12 wherein said disease, condition or disorder is hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular risk, insulinresistance, or diabetes mellitus.
- 17. A method for reduction of food intake which comprises administering to an individual in need an effective amount of a PYY agonist derivative of claim 1.

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18. A method for treatment of a disease, condition or disorder that can be alleviated by reduction of food intake which comprises administering to an individual in need an effective amount of a PYY agonist derivative of claim 1.

- 19. The method according to claim 14 wherein said disease or disorder is obesity.
 - 20. The method according to claim 14 wherein said disease or disorder is hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular risk, eating disorder, insulin-resistance, or diabetes mellitus.
- 21. A method of treating obesity in an individual comprising administering to said individual a therapeutically effective amount of (FMS)₂-PYY₃₋₃₆, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
 - 22. A method of inducing weight loss in an individual comprising administering to said individual a therapeutically effective amount of a PYY agonist derivative of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said compound.

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23. A method of inducing weight loss in an individual comprising administering to said individual a therapeutically effective amount of (FMS)₂-PYY₃₋₃₆, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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